NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes. The Administrator has received a complete application for the renewal of groundwater discharge permit NEV30003 from the following applicant:

Montello Sewerage Disposal Elko County Public Works 155 South 9th Street Elko, NV 89801

The Montello Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) is located approximately 0.5 mile northeast of the village of Montello, in Elko County, Nevada. Domestic (sanitary) wastewater is treated biologically in a facultative lagoon, which discharges to groundwaters of the State via an evaporation/percolation basin. The facility serves approximately 150 users, and is currently permitted for 45,000 gallons per day of wastewater. The Division has made the tentative determination to renew the groundwater discharge permit for a period of five (5) years, subject to certain effluent limitations.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand-delivered or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on <u>May 11, 2005</u>, either in person or by mail to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Water Pollution Control 333 West Nye Lane Carson City, Nevada 89706-0851

Comments and/or hearing requests received via facsimile or e-mail before 5:00 P.M. May 11, 2005 will also be accepted. All requests for hearings must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reason(s) why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day comment period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. The public notice of such hearings will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the public hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Janine Hartley, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9458, or at jhartley@ndep.nv.gov. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. This notice and the Fact Sheet for this facility are also available on the NDEP website at www.ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.